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PROVIDING PATCH EXPRESSIONS USED  
IN DETERMINING WHETHER TO INSTALL  
A PATCH**

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated July 1, 2004 (Paper No. 20040614), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.**

**Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.**